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1. AMBASSADOR WAS CALLED IN MORNING OCTOBER 26 BY ACTING ASSISTANT FEDERAL SECRETARY RADKO MOCIVNIK, WHO "REGRETFULLY" CALLED ATTENTION TO ACTIVITIES ON THE PART OF EMBASSY MILITARY PERSONNEL WHICH HE SAID WERE IN VIOLATION OF GROUND RULES FOR ATTACHE CONDUCT AND CONTRAVENED NORMS OF ACCEPTED DIPLOMATIC PRACTICE.

2. MOCIVNIK CITED SEVEN SEPARATE INSTANCES BETWEEN OCTOBER 14 AND OCTOBER 22, INVOLVING ALL THREE ATTACHES AND ONE ENLISTED MAN, WHICH HE SAID CONSTITUTED IMPROPER BEHAVIOR. ACTIONS CITED WERE:
(A) FAIRLURE TO ANNOUNCE TRIP IN ADVANCE (ONE INSTANCE).
(B) DEPARTURE FROM ANNOUNCED ROUTE (THREE INSTANCES)
(C) SLOWING BELOW POSTED MINIMUM OR STOPPING IN PROHIBITED AREAS (TWO INSTANCES)
(D) USE OF BINOCULARS AND NOTE TAKING (ONE INSTANCE)
(E) OBSERVING MILTARY AIRFIELDS AND OTHER INSTALLATIONS (INVOLVED IN EACH CITED INSTANCE.)
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3. MOCIVNIK ASKED THAT AMBASSADOR TAKE ALL NECESSARY MEASURES
TO PREVENT CONTINUATION OF CITED ACTIVITIES. HE ALSO DREW
ATTENTION TO FACT THAT YUGOSLAV SECURITY SERVICE HAD BEEN
INSTRUCTED TO TIGHTEN CONTROL MEASURES, AND THIS INCREASES
POSSIBILITY THAT ACTIVITIES SUCH AS THOS CITED COULD RESULT
IN SERIOUS INCIDENT DAMAGING TO BILATERAL RELATIONS

4. AMBASSADOR SAID HE OF COURSE WOULD LOOK INTO ALLEGATIONS
AND IF IN FACT MILITARY PERSONNEL HAD ACTED IN CONTRAVENTION
OF GROUND RULES HE WOULD OFFER APPROPRIATE APPOLOGY.
AMBASSADOR NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT ON BASIS OF INFORMATION GIVEN
HE COULD SEE LITTLE EVIDENCE OF BEHAVIOR WHICH COULD BE
CHARACTERIZED AS IN VIOLATION OF DIPLOMATIC NORMS EXCEPT
FOR DEVIATION FROM REGISTERED ROUTES. MOCIVNIK RESPONDED THAT
MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WERE POSTED REGARDING VEHICLE SPEEDS,
STOPPING, USE OF BINOCULARS, AND TAKING PICTURES, AND THAT ACTIVITIES
OF
EMBASSY MILITARY REPRESENTATIVES HAD IN SOME INSTANCES BEEN
IN VIOLATION OF THESE RULES.

5. ATTACHES HAVE OF COURSE UNDERTAKEN INCREASED TRAVEL IN
RESPONSE TO WASHINGTON QUERIES SINCE ME FIGHTING BEGAN, BUT HAVE BEEN
CAREFUL TO ADHERE TO GROUND RULES. ARMATT IS OUT OF COUNTRY
NOW, BUT ONLY ALLEGED INFRACTIONS CONFIRMED SO FAR ARE ONE INSTANCE
OF DEVIATION FROM ANNOUNCED ROUTE AS RESULT URGENT REQUIREMENT
LEVIED BY WASHINGTON AFTER TRAVEL PLANS SUBMITTED, AND TRIP
BY DAO ENLISTED MAN FOR WHICH NO PRIOR NOTIFICATION WAS
GIVEN (DAO HAD BEEN INFORMED ORALLY NOTIFICATION
NOT NECESSARY FOR INLISTED).

6.EMBASSY BELIVES MOCIVNIK DEMARCH REFLECTS:

(1) GOY JUMPINESS DURING MOST CRITICAL DAYS OF ME CRISIS,
REFLECTED IN MOCIVNIK'S STATEMENT THAT SECURITY
SERVICES TIGHTENING CONTROL MEASURES, AND

(2) POSSIBLE FURTHER GOY REACTION TO OUR DEMARCHES
CONCERNING RECENT YUGOSLAV BEHAVIOR.

7. IF FURTHER INVESTIGATION REVEALS NO ADDITIONAL INFRACTIONS,
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AMBASSADOR PLANS TO TAKE SUITABLE OPPORTUNITY REPLY TO
MOCIVNIK THAT WE HAVE CONFIRMED ONE INSTANCE ROUTE DEVIATION
AND REGRET THIS INFRACTION, OTHERWISE WE FIND ATTACHES'
BEHAVIOR TO HAVE BEEN ENTIRELY CORRECT. AMBASSADOR WILL ADD
THAT WE CONSIDER MATTER CLOSED.
TOON

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